

REMARKS

Drawings

1. The drawings and the specification are corrected as required by the Office Action. Figures 2A-2D have been modified to add "Prior Art" to each drawing.
2. Figure 10 has been modified to separately label Figure 10A and Figure 10B.
3. Reference 130 is added to Figure 1B. Reference 110c is added to Figure 2A. Reference 201 is added to Figure 4. Reference 600 is added to Figure 12.

The specification is amended to delete reference 340 at paragraph 0045, line 9 because this feature is not shown.

The Office Action cited reference 346 in paragraph 0066. However, no such reference was found. Reference 340 at paragraph 0066, line 5 has been deleted because this reference is not shown in the corresponding drawings.

"End slots 211" has been amended to read "End slots 210a" at paragraph 0040, line 4. This conforms to the numbering used elsewhere in the application, for example paragraph 0040 lines 1-2 and in Figure 5.

"Flow through bushings 348" has been amended to read: "flow through bushings 346" at paragraph 0048, line 8. This conforms to the numbering used in drawings 6 and 7 and elsewhere in the specification, for example at paragraphs 0047, line 6.

"Primary endblock housing 124" has been amended to read: "primary endblock housing 308" at paragraph 0064, line 9. This conforms to the numbering used in drawings 6 and 7 and elsewhere in the specification, for example in paragraphs 0046, lines 1-2 and 0049, line 5.

4. Paragraph 0009 is amended to include abbreviations "ID" for inner dimension at line 4 and "OD" for outer dimension at line 5. These abbreviations are indicated used in Figure 2A.

The following references were objected to and are deleted: 272 (Figure 3); 42, 242,

264 (Figure 4); 338 (Figure 6) and 7, 345, 17A-17B (Figure 7).

References 5A-5D of Figure 4 are amended to conform to the numbering used in other figures and to illustrate the components of reference 201.

Reference 312 of Figure 6 and 7 is mentioned in the description. "Two compliant seal rings 312." See paragraph 0050, line 3. Therefore, it is requested that the objection to this reference in Figures 6 and 7 be withdrawn.

Reference 350 of Figure 7 is mentioned in the description. "Dual vacuum seals 350." See paragraph 0047, lines 1-2. Therefore, it is requested that the objection to this reference in Figure 7 be withdrawn.

The amended drawings are submitted with redlines to show changes made. Formal drawings incorporating these changes will be submitted if the changes are approved.

Specification

6. The Abstract is amended as required by the Office Action to include the phrase "is disclosed" at paragraph 0074, line 3.

7. The term "curtain" in paragraph 0001, line 3 has not been amended because this term is not believed to be unclear in the context of "curtain wall buildings." The word "to" is inserted at paragraph 0002, line 10 as required.

Claims

8. Claims 2, 10 and 20 are amended to correct informalities. These informalities formed the basis for objection to these claims and to dependent claims 11 and 21 in the Office Action dated March 19, 2003. All other claims were allowed. It is submitted that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

It is submitted that every correction required by the Office Action dated March 19, 2003 has been completed or reason given why it should not be completed. Accordingly, it is

believed that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of its allowance is solicited. However, if the Examiner is aware of any further matters that require attention, a telephone call to the undersigned at 415-318-1160 would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



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